

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

HOLLY TREE

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

15 S. Rogers St.

CITY, TOWN

First

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Aberdeen, Md. 21001

STATE

VICINITY OF

Harford

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☒ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK multi-
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. Wm. R. and Charlotte G. Cronin

Telephone #: 272-1972

STREET & NUMBER

226 Mt. Royal Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Aberdeen, Md. 21001

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, Harford County Court House
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Registry of Deeds

STREET & NUMBER

Bel Air, Md. 21014

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Liber #: 432

Folio #: 254

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Two parcels of land deeded to Amanda V. Mason (Hopkins)

DATE

Sept. 16, 1893

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☒ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Liber W.S.F. No. 79, Folio 196

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Clerk's Office, Bel Air Court House, Md. 21014

7 DESCRIPTION

HA-1733

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR
☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Present owners have maintained the original structure as closely as possible to its original condition. Porch and railing is original as well as the widow's peak of cyprus shingles. For weatherization purposes, ribbed shadow-line shingles cover the original. White coated storm windows and insulation have been installed. The original ornate white iron fence and gate remain.

Three of the thirteen rooms have been changed with removable partition walls. Three original double sliding doors and stairway with tulip design to third floor have been restored to natural chestnut wood finish. House retains its lath and horsehair plaster and many coats of wallpaper and paint. High ceilings remain as well as a corner oak and tile fireplace, bookcase and china cabinet. Stained glass window and transom remain.

Original random width Georgia pine flooring has been covered on first and second floors with narrow oak tongue and groove flooring. Original doors, locks and hinges exist throughout the house.

Dirt floored basement and exposed granite stone walls remain. Some original knob and tube wiring and lead pipe plumbing connect with modern copper plumbing and wiring.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 00-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

One of the oldest houses in Aberdeen today. In 1893, builder John Mason, who was building hotels in Atlantic City, New Jersey at the time, had similar materials of cyprus, chestnut and stained glass hauled to Aberdeen to build his home on Rogers Street.

The design resembles early hotels in the young resort city with wide, ornate front porch, iron fence and gate, widow's peak, wide interior center hallway and impressive stairway. A holly tree was planted at the northeast corner of the house, as well as a gingko and hemlock--all still growing.

House remained in the Mason/McGaw family until purchased by the present owners in March, 1955.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"HISTORY OF ABERDEEN, MARYLAND" by Richard F. Cronin, publ. by Bicentennial Comm. of Aberdeen, 1976.
"OUR HARFORD HERITAGE" by C. Milton Wright, publ. by French Bay Printing Co., 1980.
"HARFORD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY BULLETIN No. 8", Spring Edition, 1983.

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .43 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
<u>MARYLAND</u>	<u>HARFORD</u>
STATE	COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

<u>ABERDEEN HISTORIC SURVEY/RESTORATION COMMITTEE</u>	<u>July 12, 1983</u>
ORGANIZATION	DATE
<u>ABERDEEN TOWN COUNCIL</u>	
STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
<u>ABERDEEN, MD. 21001</u>	
CITY OR TOWN	STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438



Survey # HA-1733

15 S. Rogers St.

Back and Side

North

Gloria Kaminski

May 1983



Survey # HA 1733

15 S. Rogers St.

Front and Side

South

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